WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. In a receiver for receiving digital broadcasts of a plurality of ensembles and one ensemble including a plurality of services, a digital broadcast receiving apparatus which performs at least one of a search operation and a preset operation for a receivable service, comprising:

an error rate detecting part for detecting an error rate of reception of said services; and

an error rate comparing part for comparing a value detected by said error rate detecting part with a predetermined reference value;

wherein at least one of said search operation and said preset operation is performed, based on a compared result by said error rate comparing part, for said services belonging to said ensembles containing a service with a low error rate which satisfies said predetermined reference value.

2. In a receiver for receiving digital broadcasts of a plurality of ensembles and one ensemble including a plurality of services, a digital broadcast receiving apparatus which performs at least one of a search operation and a preset operation for a receivable service, comprising:

an error rate detecting part for detecting an error rate of reception of said services; and

an error rate comparing part for comparing values detected by said error rate detecting part for services contained in each ensemble:

wherein at least one of said search operation and said preset

operation is performed, based on a compared result by said error rate comparing part, while a higher priority for the operation being assigned to one or more services belonging to an ensemble containing a service with a lower error rate, than one or more services belonging to an ensemble containing a service with a higher error rate.

- 3. A digital broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said error rate detecting part detects an error rate of at least one of said services contained in said ensembles containing a receivable service.
- 4. A digital broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said error rate detecting part detects an error rate of at least one of said services contained in said ensembles containing a receivable service.
- 5. In a receiver for receiving digital broadcasts of a plurality of ensembles and one ensemble including a plurality of services, a digital broadcast receiving apparatus which performs at least one of a search operation and a preset operation for a receivable service, comprising:
- a reception level detecting part for detecting a reception level of reception of said services; and
- a reception level comparing part for comparing a value detected by said reception level detecting part with a predetermined reference value;

wherein at least one of said search operation and said preset operation is performed, based on a compared result by said reception level comparing part, for said services belonging to said ensembles containing a service with a high reception level which satisfies said predetermined reference value.

- 6. In a receiver for receiving digital broadcasts of a plurality of ensembles and one ensemble including a plurality of services, a digital broadcast receiving apparatus which performs at least one of a search operation and a preset operation for a receivable service, comprising:
- a reception level detecting part for detecting a reception level of reception of said services; and
- a reception level comparing part for comparing values detected by said reception level detecting part for services contained in each ensemble;

wherein at least one of said search operation and said preset operation is performed, based on a compared result by said reception level comparing part, while a higher priority for the operation being assigned to one or more services belonging to an ensemble containing a service with a higher reception level, than one or more services belonging to an ensemble containing a service with a lower reception level.

- 7. A digital broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 5, wherein said reception level detecting part detects a reception level of at least one of said services contained in said ensembles containing a receivable service.
- 8. A digital broadcast receiving apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said reception level detecting part detects a reception level of at least one of said services contained in said ensembles containing a receivable service.